

Application No. 09/284,787  
Reply to Office Action of Jan. 3, 2007

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### REMARKS

Applicants have submitted amendments to the claims that are believed to place the application in condition for allowance. More particularly, to advance the prosecution of this application, applicants have cancelled claims 18-21, rendering the rejection of those claims under 35 USC §§ 102 and 112 moot. The remaining claims, claims 22-27, were allowed by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed January 3, 2007.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments such that a conversation would speed prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (434) 220-2866.

Respectfully submitted,



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